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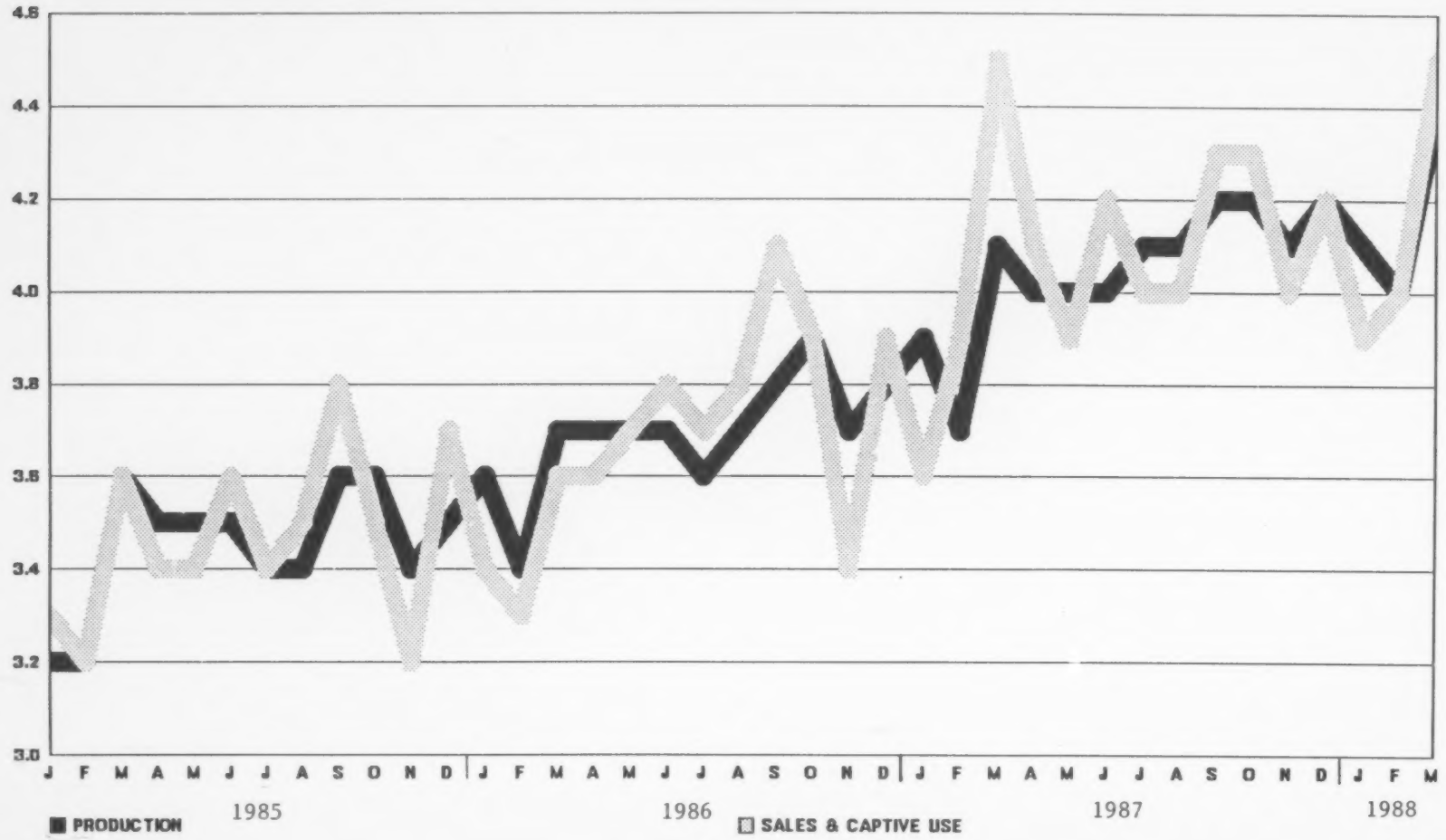
(BILLIONS OF POUNDS)

MARCH 1988



THE SOCIETY OF THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY, INC.
MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT
(Thousands of pounds, dry weight basis)(1)

RESIN KIND	SALES & CAPTIVE USE						PRODUCTION					
	MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE			MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
EPOXY RESIN, TOTAL	42,505	41,400	2.7	115,687 R	101,288	14.2	40,702	36,461	11.6	111,037	99,086	12.1
POLYESTER (UNSATURATED) RESINS, TOTAL	127,252	123,879	2.7	344,219 R	325,261	5.8	127,521	123,849	3.0	345,875	330,172	4.8
UREA RESINS, TOTAL	116,686	122,603	-4.8	319,097	329,212	-3.1	187,036	122,690	52.4	389,981	337,077	15.7
MELAMINE RESINS, TOTAL	18,604	18,228	2.1	50,707	50,841	-0.3	18,185	18,374	-1.0	53,277	51,885	2.7
PHENOLIC & OTHER TAR ACID RESINS, TOTAL	259,434	238,505	8.8	704,718 R	680,529	3.6	259,878	238,228	9.1	703,371 R	680,836	3.3
THERMOSETTING RESINS, TOTAL	564,481	544,615	3.6	1,534,428 R	1,487,131	3.2	633,322	539,602	17.4	1,603,541 R	1,499,056	7.0
LOW-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE 0.940 & BELOW, TOTAL	936,543	960,164	-2.5	2,507,024	2,429,709	3.2	860,866	853,062	0.9	2,539,103	2,385,267	6.4
HIGH-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE ABOVE 0.940, TOTAL	728,425	768,218	-5.2	2,094,640	1,957,862	7.0	720,929	648,693	11.1	2,091,633	1,878,750	11.3
POLYPROPYLENE, TOTAL	664,149	571,872	16.1	1,774,598	1,594,417	11.3	611,463	521,504	17.2	1,764,599	1,559,023	13.2
ACRYLONITRILE-BUTADIENE-STYRENE (ABS) RESINS, TOTAL	110,403	100,839	9.5	291,521	295,290	-1.3	88,121	98,248	-10.3	269,366	279,763	-3.7
STYRENE-ACRYLONITRILE (SAN) RESINS, TOTAL	13,086	11,185	17.0	31,460	31,688	-0.7	12,280	11,403	7.7	33,614	32,304	4.1
POLYSTYRENE RESINS, TOTAL	425,794	456,301	-6.7	1,243,673	1,243,984	0.0	446,043	415,663	7.3	1,275,269	1,173,538	8.7
STYRENE BASED LATEXES, TOTAL **	89,646	85,210	5.2	243,189	235,897	3.1	87,834	74,162	18.4	234,073	217,229	7.8
OTHER STYRENE BASED POLYMERS, TOTAL (40% or More Styrene)	N/A	23,279		N/A	68,994		N/A	23,574		N/A	69,038	
NYLON RESINS	50,682	44,365	14.2	140,432	123,010	14.2	45,650	44,315	3.0	137,181	127,069	8.0
POLYVINYL CHLORIDE & COPOLYMERS, TOTAL (Dry Resin content)	718,837	707,261	1.6	2,071,949	1,928,593	7.4	714,833	672,305	6.3	2,036,928	1,899,477	7.2
VINYL ACETATE MONOMER FOR POLYVINYL ACETATE, TOTAL	N/A	62,165		N/A	176,146		N/A	62,165		N/A	176,146	
POLYVINYL ALCOHOL, TOTAL	D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)	
OTHER VINYL RESINS	18,561	18,134	2.4	54,406	51,436	5.8	18,885	18,174	3.9	57,594	51,105	12.7
THERMOPLASTIC POLYESTER, TOTAL	141,426	117,732	20.1	389,912	308,127	26.5	138,830	118,635	17.0	385,399	318,752	20.9
THERMOPLASTIC RESINS, TOTAL	3,897,552	3,926,725	N.C.	10,842,804	10,445,153	N.C.	3,745,734	3,561,903	N.C.	10,824,759	10,167,461	N.C.
GRAND TOTAL	4,462,033	4,471,340	N.C.	12,377,232	11,932,284	N.C.	4,379,056	4,101,505	N.C.	12,428,300	11,666,517	N.C.

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** = Sales and Captive Use figures include some Canadian produced materials.
(4) = The publishing of PVOH data is temporarily suspended.

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CRS

MARCH 1988

RESIN KIND & USE	SALES & CAPTIVE USE						PRODUCTION					
	MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE			MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
EPOXY RESIN, TOTAL	42,505	41,400	2.7	115,687R	101,288	14.2	40,702	36,461	11.6	111,037	99,086	12.1
Total Exports	8,675	11,610	-25.3	25,153R	18,962	32.6						
Captive Use, Total	1,094	1,164	-6.0	3,459	3,117	11.0						
Domestic Sales, Total	32,736	28,626	14.4	87,075	79,209	9.9						
Domestic Sales & Captive Use, Total	33,830	29,790	13.6	90,534	82,326	10.0						
Bonding & Adhesives	1,941	2,087	-7.0	5,873	5,363	9.5						
Flooring, Paving & Exposed Aggregate	2,169	2,016	7.6	5,558	4,894	13.6						
Protective Coatings	16,386	15,408	6.3	42,936	41,592	3.2						
Fiber Reinforced Lam. & Comp., Total	7,715	6,003	28.5	20,717	17,927	15.6						
FRL&C for Printed Wiring Board	5,143	4,391	17.1	14,164	13,008	8.9						
All Other FRL&C	2,572	1,612	59.6	6,553	4,919	33.2						
Tooling, Casting & Molding Resins	2,442	1,801	35.6	6,633	5,408	22.7						
All Other Uses	3,177	2,475	28.4	8,817	7,142	23.5						
POLYESTER (UNSATURATED) RESINS, TOTAL	127,252	123,879	2.7	344,219R	325,261	5.8	127,521	123,849	3.0	345,875	330,172	4.8
Total Exports	997	702	42.0	3,004R	1,652	81.8						
Total Domestic	126,255	123,177	2.5	341,215R	323,609	5.4						
General Purpose Resins, Total	111,837	108,026	3.5	298,976R	282,014	6.0						
General Purpose - Thixotropic	53,818	48,470	11.0	139,819R	128,587	8.7						
General Purpose - Press Molding	11,572	11,663	-0.8	35,506R	34,434	3.1						
General Purpose - All Other	46,447	47,893	-3.0	123,651	118,993	3.9						
Flame Retardant Resins	2,473	2,233	10.7	7,225	6,502	11.1						
Chemical Resistant Resins	11,945	12,918	-7.5	35,014R	35,093	-0.2						
Chemical Resistant Isophthalic Resins	8,331	10,202	-18.3	24,975R	27,617	-9.6						
All Other Chemical Resistant Resins	3,614	2,716	33.1	10,039	7,476	34.3						
Reinforced Plastics, Total	97,362	95,501	1.9	260,751	245,402	6.3						
Non-Reinforced Plastics, Total	28,893	27,676	4.4	80,464R	78,207	2.9						

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MELAMINE RESINS, TOTAL	18,604	18,228	2.1	50,707	50,841	-0.3	18,185	18,374	-1.0	53,277	51,885	2.7
UREA & MELAMINE RESINS, TOTAL	135,290	140,831	-3.9	369,804	380,053	-2.7	205,221	141,064	45.5	443,258	388,962	14.0
Total Exports *	D	D		D	D							
Total Domestic	135,290	140,831	-3.9	369,804	380,053	-2.7						
Textile Treating & Coating Resins	2,173	2,116	2.7	7,488	6,409	16.8	3,398	2,329	45.9	8,782	7,017	25.2
Paper Treating & Coating Resins	5,038	8,544	-41.0	14,248	23,317	-38.9	5,733	8,695	-34.1	15,381	23,688	-35.1
Molding Compounds **	D	D		D	D		D	D		D	D	
Bonding & Adhesive Resins for:	107,749	111,257	-3.2	292,452	295,478	-1.0	170,015	110,777	53.5	354,853	295,195	20.2
Laminating	3,786	4,597	-17.6	10,442	12,268	-14.9	3,725	4,286	-13.1	10,220	11,519	-11.3
Plywood	4,916	6,360	-22.7	11,700	16,151	-27.6	6,277	6,471	-3.0	13,125	16,297	-19.5
Fibrous & Granulated Wood (Particle Board)	99,047	100,300	-1.2	270,310	267,059	1.2	160,013	100,020	60.0	331,508	267,379	24.0
Protective Coatings (Straight & Modified)	9,656	10,072	-4.1	27,220	28,716	-5.2	11,230	11,796	-4.8	32,314	40,296	-19.8
All Other Uses	10,674	8,842	20.7	28,396	26,133	8.7	14,845	7,467	98.8	31,928	22,766	40.2
PHENOLIC & OTHER TAR ACID RESINS, TOTAL	259,434	238,505	8.8	704,718R	680,529	3.6	259,878	238,228	9.1	703,371R	680,836	3.3
Total Exports	1,913	1,560	22.6	4,954	4,239	16.9						
Total Domestic	257,521	236,945	8.7	699,764R	676,290	3.5						
Molding Compounds	18,012	17,042	5.7	49,073	49,344	-0.5	19,513	18,689	4.4	49,644	53,053	-6.4
Bonding & Adhesive Resins for:	230,364	212,673	8.3	629,798R	606,886	3.8	231,048	212,047	9.0	632,414R	607,150	ERR
Laminating	17,552	17,059	2.9	49,604R	49,543	0.1	17,829	17,173	3.8	50,269R	49,918	0.7
Coated & Bonded Abrasives	2,477	1,864	32.9	5,939R	4,815	23.3	2,483	1,874	32.5	5,959R	4,840	23.1
Friction Materials	3,598	2,874	25.2	9,273R	8,075	14.8	3,650	2,702	35.1	9,031R	7,718	17.0
Insulation Materials	38,733	31,512	22.9	102,923	93,190	10.4	38,496	31,583	21.9	103,246	93,595	10.3
Foundry & Shell Molding	5,260	4,278	23.0	13,859	11,431	21.2	5,347	4,178	28.0	13,834	11,264	22.8
Plywood	135,560	131,123	3.4	372,015	369,236	0.8	135,435	130,775	3.6	372,391	369,851	0.7
Fibrous & Granulated Wood	D	19,617		D	57,975		D	19,581		D	57,751	
Resins Sold to Rubber Industry	1,737	1,555	11.7	4,919	4,111	19.7	2,295	1,404	63.5	6,321	3,817	65.6
All Other @	25,447	2,791	N.C.	71,266R	8,510	N.C.	25,513	2,777	N.C.	71,363R	8,396	N.C.
Protective Coatings - Unmodified & Modified	1,931	2,385	-19.0	5,665	6,449	-12.2	1,932	2,390	-19.2	5,697	6,428	-11.4
Resins Sold to Rubber Ind.,Non-Adhesive Uses	D	D		D	D		D	D		D	D	
All Other Uses #	7,214	4,845	48.9	15,228	13,611	11.9	7,385	5,102	44.7	15,628	14,205	10.0

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** = Molding Compounds included in All Other Uses.
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	MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE			MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
LOW-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE 0.940 & BELOW, TOTAL	936,543	960,164	-2.5	2,507,024	2,429,709	3.2	860,866	853,062	0.9	2,539,103	2,385,267	6.4
Total Exports	86,737	93,260	-7.0	238,344	255,568	-6.7						
Total Domestic	849,806	866,904	-2.0	2,268,680	2,174,141	4.3						
Film (12 Mils & Below)	490,395	520,033	-5.7	1,285,840	1,301,151	-1.2						
Sheet (Over 12 Mils)	D(3)	D(3)		D(3)	D(3)							
Injection Molding	67,125	71,707	-6.4	185,167	174,079	6.4						
Wire & Cable	36,831	33,114	11.2	95,418	86,603	10.2						
Extrusion Coating	69,248	73,022	-5.2	194,546	193,539	0.5						
Blow Molding	7,260	4,266	70.2	18,541	12,936	43.3						
Pipe & Conduit, Total	6,484	4,740	36.8	15,599	12,758	22.3						
Corrugated Pipe & Conduit	D	D		D	D							
Non-corrugated Pipe & Conduit	D	D		D	D							
Other Extruded Products	15,624	13,227	18.1	42,158	33,889	24.4						
Resellers & Compounders	56,635	65,154	-13.1	164,359	166,100	-1.0						
All Other Uses	100,204	81,641	22.7	267,052	193,086	38.3						
HIGH-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE ABOVE 0.940, TOTAL	728,425	768,218	-5.2	2,094,640	1,957,862	7.0	720,929	648,693	11.1	2,091,633	1,878,750	11.3
Total Exports	63,657	85,900	-25.9	203,258R	235,728	-13.8						
Total Domestic	664,768	682,318	-2.6	1,891,382R	1,722,134	9.8						
Film (12 Mils & Below)	58,071	53,527	8.5	161,855	139,556	16.0						
Sheet (Over 12 Mils)	23,613	23,741	-0.5	62,638	57,934	8.1						
Injection Molding	150,288	177,163	-15.2	438,414	439,678	-0.3						
Wire & Cable	11,423	11,256	1.5	28,591	30,901	-7.5						
Extrusion Coating	D(2)	D(2)		D(2)	D(2)							
Blow Molding	272,542	250,181	8.9	774,438R	667,304	16.1						
Pipe & Conduit, Total	51,817	56,094	-7.6	134,001	127,717	4.9						
Corrugated Pipe & Conduit	11,783	16,393	-28.1	34,240	36,618	-6.5						
Non-corrugated Pipe & Conduit	40,034	39,701	0.8	99,761	91,099	9.5						
Other Extruded Products	10,073	4,399	129.0	32,403	13,584	138.5						
Resellers & Compounders	60,098	54,890	9.5	170,917	135,679	26.0						
All Other Uses	26,843	51,067	-47.4	88,125	109,781	-19.7						

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POLYPROPYLENE, TOTAL	664,149	571,872	16.1	1,774,598	1,594,417	11.3	611,463	521,504	17.2	1,764,599	1,559,023	13.2
Total Exports	92,125	100,846	-8.6	258,997	313,282	-17.3						
Total Domestic	572,024	471,026	21.4	1,515,601	1,281,135	18.3						
Injection Molding	159,915	146,827	8.9	423,429	380,398	11.3						
Appliances	12,595	13,611	-7.5	32,529	36,217	-10.2						
Consumer Products	42,286	36,792	14.9	110,866	87,463	26.8						
Rigid Packaging	61,073	45,001	35.7	157,737	121,389	29.9						
Transportation	24,668	29,028	-15.0	72,574	81,195	-10.6						
All Other Injection Molding	19,293	22,395	-13.9	49,723	54,134	-8.1						
Blow Molding	12,369	10,096	22.5	31,763	29,693	7.0						
Containers	D	D		D	D							
All Other Blow Molding	D	D		D	D							
Film (10 Mils & Below)	54,735	42,874	27.7	150,545	127,895	17.7						
Sheet (Over 10 Mils)	10,693	6,956	53.7	31,136	17,854	74.4						
Extrusion Coating	D	D		D	D							
Wire & Cable	D	D		D	D							
Fiber & Filaments	177,044	150,716	17.5	458,555	417,215	9.9						
Textile Applications	166,853	141,191	18.2	430,832	390,646	10.3						
Non-Textile Monofilaments	10,191	9,525	7.0	27,723	26,569	4.3						
Pipe & Conduit	D	D		D	D							
Other Extruded Products #	10,654	13,394	-20.5	27,489	32,434	-15.2						
Resellers, Distributors, & Compounders, Total	142,259	95,645	48.7	374,887	262,187	43.0						
Resellers & Distributors	106,592	N/A		283,529	N/A							
Compounders	35,667	N/A		91,358	N/A							
All Other Uses	4,355	4,518	-3.6	17,797	13,459	32.2						

= Includes Extrusion Coating, Wire & Cable, Pipe & Conduit

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ABS RESINS, TOTAL (ACRYLONITRILE-BUTADIENE-STYRENE)	110,403	100,839	9.5	291,521	295,290	-1.3	88,121	98,248	-10.3	269,366	279,763	-3.7
Total Exports												
Total Domestic												
Electrical & Electronic Uses												
Pipe, Conduit												
Transportation												
Consumer & Institutional												
All Other Uses												
SAN RESINS, TOTAL (STYRENE-ACRYLONITRILE-BUTADIENE)	13,086	11,185	17.0	31,460	31,688	-0.7	12,280	11,403	7.7	33,614	32,304	4.1
Total Exports	4,065	2,976	36.6	9,622	6,080	58.3						
Total Domestic	9,021	8,209	9.9	21,838	25,608	-14.7						
POLYSTYRENE RESINS, TOTAL	425,794	456,301	-6.7	1,243,673	1,243,984	0.0	446,043	415,663	7.3	1,275,269	1,173,538	8.7
Straight Polystyrene	221,493	236,014	-6.2	657,882	660,427	-0.4	224,085	223,532	0.2	665,020	625,705	6.3
Rubber-Modified Polystyrene	204,301	220,287	-7.3	585,791	583,557	0.4	221,958	192,131	15.5	610,249	547,833	11.4
Exports Total	16,445	12,835	28.1	36,946	31,531	17.2						
Straight Polystyrene	11,751	9,133	28.7	26,567	20,751	28.0						
Rubber-Modified Polystyrene	4,694	3,702	26.8	10,379	10,780	-3.7						
Domestic Total	409,349	443,466	-7.7	1,206,727	1,212,453	-0.5						
Molding	169,797	168,574	0.7	488,487	452,672	7.9						
Extrusion	177,105	206,471	-14.2	523,275	549,713	-4.8						
Expandable Polystyrene Beads	40,441	39,772	1.7	126,730	132,272	-4.2						
Block	16,671	N/A		58,351	N/A							
Shape	11,722	N/A		34,516	N/A							
Loose Fill	D(1)	N/A		D(1)	N/A							
Other EPS	12,048	N/A		33,863	N/A							
All Other Uses	22,006	28,649	-23.2	68,235	77,796	-12.3						
Polystyrene End Uses Total	409,349	443,466	-7.7	1,206,727	1,212,453	-0.5						
Packaging	82,915	120,767	-31.3	250,141	317,800	-21.3						
Disposable Food Serviceware	78,852	72,101	9.4	226,235	194,936	16.1						
Consumer and Inst. Products	64,397	73,711	-12.6	190,250	193,329	-1.6						
Electrical/Electronics	47,416	44,829	5.8	134,973	121,378	11.2						
Furniture, Furn., Bulding & Const.	22,481	24,806	-9.4	68,147	68,522	-0.5						
Expandable Polystyrene Beads	40,441	39,772	1.7	126,730	132,272	-4.2						
Resellers and Compounders	43,179	37,259	15.9	127,476	108,683	17.3						
All Other End Uses	29,668	30,221	-1.8	82,775	75,533	9.6						

(1) Included in Other EPS

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RESIN KIND & USE	SALES & CAPTIVE USE						PRODUCTION					
	MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE			MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
STYRENE BASED LATEXES, TOTAL ***	89,646	85,210	5.2	243,189	235,897	3.1	87,834	74,162	18.4	234,073	217,229	7.8
Paper Treating	2,584	5,814	-55.6	8,018	21,078	-62.0						
Textile Treating	1,137	1,051	8.2	3,254	3,965	-17.9						
Carpet Backing	34,565	34,923	-1.0	87,549	86,687	1.0						
All Other Uses (Incl. Exports & Paper Coating)	51,360	43,422	18.3	144,368	124,167	16.3						
OTHER STYRENE BASED POLYMERS, TOTAL (5) 40% or more styrene	N/A	23,279		N/A	68,994		N/A	23,574		N/A	69,038	
Total Export	D	D		D	D							
Total Domestic	D	D		D	D							
Molding & Extrusion	D	D		D	D							
Coatings	D	D		D	D							
NYLON RESINS, TOTAL	50,682	44,365	14.2	140,432	123,010	14.2	45,650	44,315	3.0	137,181	127,069	8.0
Total Exports	7,391	4,742	55.9	20,734	12,417	67.0						
Total Domestic	43,291	39,623	9.3	119,698	110,593	8.2						
Injection Molding Grade	25,606	25,322	1.1	71,432	69,959	2.1						
Extrusion Grade	12,873	11,116	15.8	36,524	31,754	15.0						
Resellers and Compounders	2,589	2,009	28.9	7,483	5,621	33.1						
All Other Uses	2,223	1,176	89.0	4,259	3,259	30.7						

*** = Applied disclosure rule: No one company greater than 50% and no two companies greater than 75%.
(5) = The publishing of OSBP data has been temporarily suspended.

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Styrene Based Latexes sales include some Canadian produced material.

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	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
POLYVINYL CHLORIDE & COPOLYMERS, TOTAL (Dry Resin Content)	718,837	707,261	1.6	2,071,949	1,928,593	7.4	714,833	672,305	6.3	2,036,928	1,899,477	7.2
Homopolymer Resins Including Blending & Latex	660,055	649,015	1.7	1,910,841	1,774,579	7.7	653,283	621,020	5.2	1,863,584	1,746,751	6.7
Copolymer Resins Including Blending & Latex	18,982	16,776	13.1	51,887	46,870	10.7	20,291	17,395	16.6	56,181	51,921	8.2
Dispersion	39,800	41,470	-4.0	109,221	107,144	1.9	41,259	33,890	21.7	117,163	100,805	16.2
Total Exports	42,379	35,948	17.9	132,403	104,537	26.7						
Total Domestic	676,458	671,313	0.8	1,939,546	1,824,056	6.3						
Calendering, Total	73,523	67,881	8.3	213,724	177,504	20.4						
Flooring	17,799	14,768	20.5	49,275	41,187	19.6						
Textile	11,129	11,378	-2.2	31,986	26,366	21.3						
All Other Calendering Uses	44,595	41,735	6.9	132,463	109,951	20.5						
Coating, Total	31,904	33,537	-4.9	85,470	86,883	-1.6						
Flooring	12,693	14,537	-12.7	34,826	37,105	-6.1						
Textile & Paper Coating	9,039	10,604	-14.8	23,746	26,861	-11.6						
Protective Coating	5,440	4,425	22.9	14,001	12,168	15.1						
Adhesives & All Other Coating Uses	4,732	3,971	19.2	12,897	10,749	20.0						
Extrusion, Total	460,079	463,939	-0.8	1,322,404	1,278,242	3.5						
Wire & Cable	39,992	46,413	-13.8	109,133	111,009	-1.7						
Film & Sheet, Packaging	28,361	24,900	13.9	80,793	67,297	20.1						
Film & Sheet, Non-Packaging	6,085	4,581	32.8	14,515	11,359	27.8						
Siding & Access., & Mobile Home Skirts	67,191	52,070	29.0	174,764	144,029	21.3						
Rigid Pipe & Tubing (Except Fittings)	270,786	289,065	-6.3	810,372	813,461	-0.4						
All Other Extrusions	47,664	46,910	1.6	132,827	131,087	1.3						
Molding, Total	47,549	46,059	3.2	141,966	119,189	19.1						
Bottles	17,162	17,683	-2.9	54,623	44,712	22.2						
Fittings (Rigid Pipe & Tubing)	14,905	12,619	18.1	44,382	32,459	36.7						
All Other Molding	15,482	15,757	-1.7	42,961	42,018	2.2						
Paste Processes (Except Coating)	14,780	14,407	2.6	40,017	39,087	2.4						
Plastisol Formulation	7,519	8,187	-8.2	20,551	20,969	-2.0						
All Other	7,261	6,220	16.7	19,466	18,118	7.4						
Resellers and Compounders	30,268	33,730	-10.3	86,773	88,893	-2.4						
All Other Uses	18,355	11,760	56.1	49,192	34,258	43.6						

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	MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE			MARCH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG	1988	1987	% CHG
VINYL ACETATE MONOMER (4) FOR POLYVINYL ACETATE, TOTAL	N/A	62,165		N/A	176,146		N/A	62,165		N/A	176,146	
Total Exports	N/A	700		N/A	1,524							
Total Domestic	N/A	61,465		N/A	174,622							
Emulsion Paints	N/A	20,813		N/A	60,756							
Adhesives, Caulks and Sealants	N/A	22,824		N/A	63,458							
Paper Treating & Paper Coating	N/A	9,805		N/A	28,202							
Textile Treating	N/A	2,694		N/A	7,576							
Non-Woven Binders	N/A	D(1)		N/A	D(1)							
All Other Uses	N/A	5,329		N/A	14,630							
POLYVINYL ALCOHOL, TOTAL #	D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)	
Total Exports	D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)							
Total Domestic	D(4)	D(4)		D(4)	D(4)							
OTHER VINYL RESINS, TOTAL*	18,561	18,134	2.4	54,406	51,436	5.8	18,885	18,174	3.9	57,594	51,105	12.7
Total Exports	5,859	5,230	12.0	16,030	16,361	-2.0						
Total Domestic	12,702	12,904	-1.6	38,376	35,075	9.4						
THERMOPLASTIC POLYESTER, TOTAL	141,426	117,732	20.1	389,912	308,127	26.5	138,830	118,635	17.0	385,399	318,752	20.9
Total Exports	21,768	16,305	33.5	53,508	38,476	39.1						
Total Domestic	119,658	101,427	18.0	336,404	269,651	24.8						
PET Bottle Grades	80,485	71,074	13.2	229,555	195,297	17.5						
All Other Thermoplastic Polyester**	39,173	30,353	29.1	106,849	74,354	43.7						

* = Includes only polyvinyl butyral, polyvinyl formal, and polyvinylidene chloride.
** = Includes All Other PET and All Injection Molding Grades.
\# = Includes imputed data.
(1) = Included in All Other Uses.
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MARCH 1988

RESIN KIND	MARCH				YEAR-TO-DATE				
	PRODUCTION	IMPORTS	EXPORTS*	APPARENT CONSUMPTION	PRODUCTION	IMPORTS	EXPORTS*	APPARENT CONSUMPTION	IMPORT % OF APPARENT CONSUMPTION
EPOXY RESIN, TOTAL	41	1	9	33	111	3	25	89	3%
POLYESTER (UNSATURATED) RESINS, TOTAL	127	1	6	122	346	2	13	335	1%
UREA RESINS, TOTAL	187	2	1	188	390	6	2	394	2%
MELAMINE RESINS, TOTAL	18	0	2	16	53	1	5	49	2%
PHENOLIC & OTHER TAR ACID RESINS, TOTAL	260	4	6	258	703 R	12	16	699	2%
THERMOSETTING RESINS, TOTAL	633	8	24	617	1,603 R	24	61	1,566	2%
LOW-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE 0.940 & BELOW, TOTAL	861	68	102	827	2,539	197	276	2,460	8%
HIGH-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE ABOVE 0.940, TOTAL	721	14	92	643	2,092	27	217	1,902	1%
POLYPROPYLENE, TOTAL	611	3	147	467	1,755	7	394	1,378	1%
ABS RESINS, TOTAL (ACRYLONITRILE-BUTADIENE-STYRENE)	88	4	23	69	269	11	51	229	5%
SAN (STYRENE-ACRYLONITRILE) RESINS, TOTAL	12	0	7	5	34	1	12	23	4%
OTHER STYRENICS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
POLYSTYRENE RESINS, TOTAL	446	4	18	432	1,275	8	40	1,243	1%
NYLON RESINS	46	4	16	34	137	11	46	102	11%
POLYVINYL CHLORIDE & COPOLYMERS, TOTAL (Dry Resin content)	715	17	33	699	2,037	36	100	1,973	2%
VINYL ACETATE MONOMER FOR POLYVINYL ACETATE, TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
POLYVINYL ALCOHOL, TOTAL	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)	D(4)
OTHER VINYL RESINS	19	5	8	16	58	11	22	47	23%
THERMOPLASTIC POLYESTER, TOTAL	139	2	14	127	385	5	41	349	1%
THERMOPLASTIC RESINS, TOTAL **	3,658	121	460	3,319	10,591	314	1,199	9,706	3%
GRAND TOTAL **	4,291	129	484	3,936	12,194	338	1,260	11,272	3%

(1) = Except phenolic resins which are reported on a gross weight basis.
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Sources: Production - SPI Monthly Statistical Report
Imports - Bureau of Census IM 146
Exports - Bureau of Census EM 546

* Except for Epoxy Resin, Bureau of Census exports will differ from exports published in the SPI Monthly Statistical Report.

	Import No. (1)	Export No. (2)
		Monthly Resin Report
Epoxy	409.0200	444.6000
Polyester, Unsaturated	409.1000	444.5220
Urea	445.3540	444.5210
Melamine	445.3520	444.5810/444.5820
Phenolic	409.0600	444.1604/444.1606/444.1608
Low Density Polyethylene	445.3010	444.1620
High Density Polyethylene	445.3020	444.1700
Polypropylene	445.5200	444.2010
ABS	408.7200	444.2020
SAN	408.8100	444.2050
Other Styrenics	408.7600/408.8450	444.2030/444.2040
Polystyrene	408.8420	444.1210
Nylon	408.6100	444.2310/444.2320
PVC	445.4600	444.2120
Vinyl Acetate	445.4400	444.2110
Polyvinyl Alcohol	445.4200	444.2330
Other Vinyls	445.4800	444.1500
Thermoplastic Polyester	408.6800	

(1) Tariff Schedules of the U.S. Annotated
(2) Schedule B